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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed January 31, 2006 and June 28, 2006, and in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following information to the attention of the Examiner.

A Chinese Office Action issued in connection with counterpart Chinese Application No. 03825577.4, mailed June 28, 2006. A copy of the Chinese Office Action is being submitted herewith.

- 1) EP 0 970 693 A1;
- 2) JP 9-291011 A1;
- 3) Zhengcheng WANG et al., Journal of Zhejiang Medical University, Vol. 27, No. 6, pp. 257-258 (1998);

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4) Liren WU et al., Information on Traditional Chinese Medicine, Vol. 18, No. 4, pp. 13 (2001);

- 5) Wenhui LIU et al., Journal of Jiangxi College of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Vol. 8, No. 3, pp. 21-22 (1996);
- 6) Suhua ZHOA et al., Food Science, Vol. 23, No. 2, pp. 35-37 (2002); and
- 7) Xintian LIU et al., World Forestry Research, Vol. 2, pp. 64-68 (1998).

A Taiwanese Office Action issued in connection with a counterpart Taiwanese Application. A copy of the Taiwanese Office Action is being submitted herewith.

- 8) U.S. Patent No. 6,313,214;
- 9) U.S. Patent No. 6,384,074;
- 10) U.S. Patent No. 5,609,875;
- 11)U.S. Patent No. 6,352,685 B2;

Applicants note that items 1, 2, 8 and 9 were previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 31, 2006. Accordingly additional copies are not being enclosed herewith.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R 1.98, copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Copies of the above-noted documents, except for U.S. Patents, are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this

application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicants note that while this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicants have not received an action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

However, if an action on the merits has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants hereby authorize the charging of any required fees necessary for consideration of the documents cited herein to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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